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IN RE APPLICATION OF: **Katsuhiko Shinjo, et al.** :

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TITLE: **Human Vanilloid Receptor-Like Protein** :

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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action in this application, mailed on July 18, 2001, and having an original period for response of TWO months, which expired on September 18, 2001, be extended by TWO months, such that it expires on November 18, 2001.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge the amount of \$400.00 as stated under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, as well as any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1445. Two copies of this paper are enclosed.

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